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From: Ed Fallon

**Sent:** Fri 8/26/2016 1:52:53 PM

**Subject:** A message for Mr. Trump, then direct action

Dear Friends,

Our Native allies in North Dakota are making tremendous sacrifices as they stand strong to stop the Bakken Pipeline. Now it's our turn to ramp-up the fight here in Iowa. Earlier this summer, Bold Iowa, Iowa CCI, 100 Grannies for a Livable Future and CREDO Action challenged people to sign the <u>Pledge of Resistance</u>, committing either to risk arrest or support those who are arrested.

With the courts in limbo and President Obama silent, we are at the point in this struggle where non-violent direct action is essential. **Our first action will be Wednesday, August 31 near Pilot Mound** (see below for details).

Before I tell you more about that, I'd like to invite you to an event to call-out Donald Trump for his personal abuse of eminent domain and his misguided support for oil pipelines.

**WHAT:** Peaceful protest while we carry signs and a replica of the Bakken pipeline to tell Donald Trump that he should oppose the abuse of eminent domain and the pipeline.

WHEN: Saturday, August 27, 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

**WHERE:** Meet at 10:00 at Ritual Cafe (1301 Locust St in Des Moines) for a briefing, then carpool to the lowa State Fairgrounds for the protest. If your schedule doesn't allow you to join us at 10:00, meet us at the Fairgrounds by 11:15.

RSVP by responding to this message, or sign-up here on Facebook.

Now, about direct action. This may be the most important moment yet in our fight to stop the pipeline. I really hope you can join us. We need a strong showing, and plenty of people to support those risking arrest.

WHAT: Bakken Pipeline Direct Action and Nonviolence Training

WHEN: Wednesday, Aug. 31, with Nonviolence Training from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and Direct Action from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. (approx. time) at an undisclosed location.

WHERE: Community Hall, 112 S. Pilot St., Pilot Mound, IA 50223 (map)

RSVP: <u>Click here to RSVP to attend the Training and Direct Action</u> or send me a message in response to this email.

Those individuals who complete the training and commit to risking arrest will be supported with bonding out of jail, if necessary, and follow-up legal aid. Others are encouraged to attend and fill volunteer support roles, and to stand in solidarity and observe and record while direct action is taking place. (Click here to donate to the <u>Bakken Pledge Legal Defense Fund</u>.) After you RSVP, we'll follow-up with you via email and phone with additional details.

If you are tied up that morning but able to participate in the action and have previously completed non-violence training, let's talk. For a number of reasons, it's important for people risking arrest to attend the training. But we're able to make some exceptions if you've been through this before.

As we finalize our plans to activate signers of the <u>Bakken Pipeline Pledge of Resistance</u> (and we thank the 1,200 people who have signed!), we are inspired by the **Sacred Stones Camp** set-up by our Tribal Nation allies in North Dakota to protect the Missouri River — which provides drinking water for more than 18 million people.

And we are inspired by the brave lowa farmers and landowners who continue to resist the tremendous pressure brought against them by the pipeline company. Beyond the emotional and psychological challenges involved, these landowners are incurring significant costs defending their right not to have a privately-owned oil pipeline slash through their farm ground and precious soils.

Thanks, and I hope to see you this coming Saturday and for sure next Wednesday!

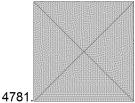


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### **EVENTS**

### Fri, Aug 26 - Catholic Worker Celebration (Des Moines)

Join workers and guests for supper at 6:00 p.m. Dingman House, 1310 7th St. Then at 7:30, Fr. Roy Bourgeois speaks on "The Struggle for Peace, Justice and Equality" at Trinity United Methodist, 1548 8th St, which is 3 blocks from the House. Contact Frank Cordaro at frank.cordaro@gmail.com or 515-282-



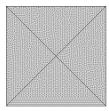
## Sat, Aug 27 - Say "NO" To Trump on Pipeline (Des Moines)

Meet at Ritual Cafe, 1301 Locust St at 10:00 for a briefing, then carpool to the State Fair for a protest from 11:30 - 1:30 before Trump speaks at Sen. Joni Ernst's "Roast and Ride." Protesters will be nonviolent, of course, and hold a replica of the pipeline and signs calling out Trump for his support of eminent domain and unwillingness to oppose the pipeline. More details here. Contact ed@boldiowa.org.



### Sat, Aug 27 - Catholic Worker Celebration (Des Moines)

From 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., a picnic, testimonials, music and dancing in the lot across the street from Dingman House, 1310 7th, followed from 4:00-6:00 p.m. by a panel discussion on "What would a more listening and non-judging US Catholic Church look like for Women?," featuring Fr. Roy and Rev. Janice Sevre-Dusyznska, at Trinity United Methodist, 1548 8th St. Then at 7:00 p.m., there's a social time with music and munchies at Dingman House. Contact Frank Cordaro at <a href="mailto:frank.cordaro@gmail.com">frank.cordaro@gmail.com</a> or 515-282-4781.

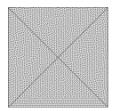


#### Sun, Aug 28 - Catholic Worker Celebration (Des Moines)

Mass at 8:30 a.m., with liturgy by Rev. Janice Sevre-Duszynska in the lot across the street from Dingman House, 1310 7th Street. Contact Frank Cordaro at frank.cordaro@gmail.com or 515-282-4781.

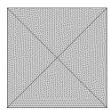
### Wed, Aug 31 - Direct Action to Stop the Pipeline (Pilot Mound)

Meet at the Community Hall in Pilot Mound for nonviolence training from 9:00 - 12:00, followed by direct action at an undisclosed location. Sign-up <a href="here">here</a>. Contact Ed Fallon at ed@boldiowa.org for more details.



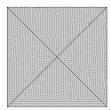
## Thu, Sep 1 - Weekly Peace Vigil (Des Moines)

Join Catholic Peace Ministry and other peace groups every Thursday for a peace vigil on the northwest side of the Civic Center, 221 Walnut Street from 11:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Bring your signs or banners for peace. Contact <a href="mailto:catholicpeaceministry@gmail.com">catholicpeaceministry@gmail.com</a>.



#### Wed, Sep 7 - Dr. Sandra Steingraber: "From know-how to do-now" (Cedar Falls)

Dr. Steingraber and her colleagues put science into action in New York when they successfully compelled state officials to ban fracking for oil and gas extraction. Her speech focuses on what is science for if we are not acting on it in the face of a climate crisis. Her visit is part of a larger Science in Action initiative at UNI to involve faculty and students in the community acting on energy and climate, land and bio diversity restoration, and environmental health needs of the community. Contact Kamyar Enshayan at 319-273-7575.



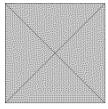
## Sat, Sep 10 - Citizens' Climate Lobby Meeting (Des Moines)

At 10:00 a.m. at the Des Moines Public Library-North Side Library Meeting Room, 3516 Fifth Avenue. All welcome.

#### Wed, Sep 21 - Celebration of International Day of Peace (Des Moines)

At 6:30 p.m. at Peace Garden in Cowles Commons, 221 Walnut St. This service will express a vision of peace

and a position against war shared by all faith traditions. The Rev. Ryan Arnold will be the keynote speaker. The Diversity Chorus will present a couple of numbers on the theme of peace. Contact Chet Guinn at 515-282-8054 or Eloise Cranke at ecranke@mchsi.com.

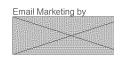


# Thu, Oct 6 - Iowa Environmental Council Annual Conference (Ankeny)

Beginning at 9:00 a.m., this year's IEC annual conference is called "ECOnomics: Dollars, Sense & Sustainability." It's at the FFA Enrichment Center at the DMACC Ankeny Campus, 1055 SW Prairie Trail Parkway, and explores the bond between our environment, communities and economy. Jon D. Erickson, fellow of the Gund Institute for Ecological Economics and professor at the Rubenstein School of Environmental and Natural Resources at the University of Vermont will be the keynote speaker at this year's event. Click here for more details.

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